

**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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Attorney Docket No. CRD5058-US-NP

First Inventor Robert Slazas, et al.

Title Gripper For Catheter Shaft

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP Chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1.  Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
*(submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)*
2.  Applicant claims small entity status.
3.  Specification [Total Pages 15]  
*(Preferred arrangement set forth below)*
  - Descriptive Title of the Invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R&D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings *(if filed)*
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4.  Drawing(s)/35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 8]
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*(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)*
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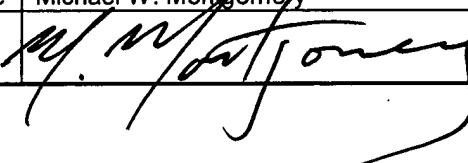
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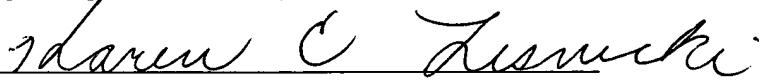
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